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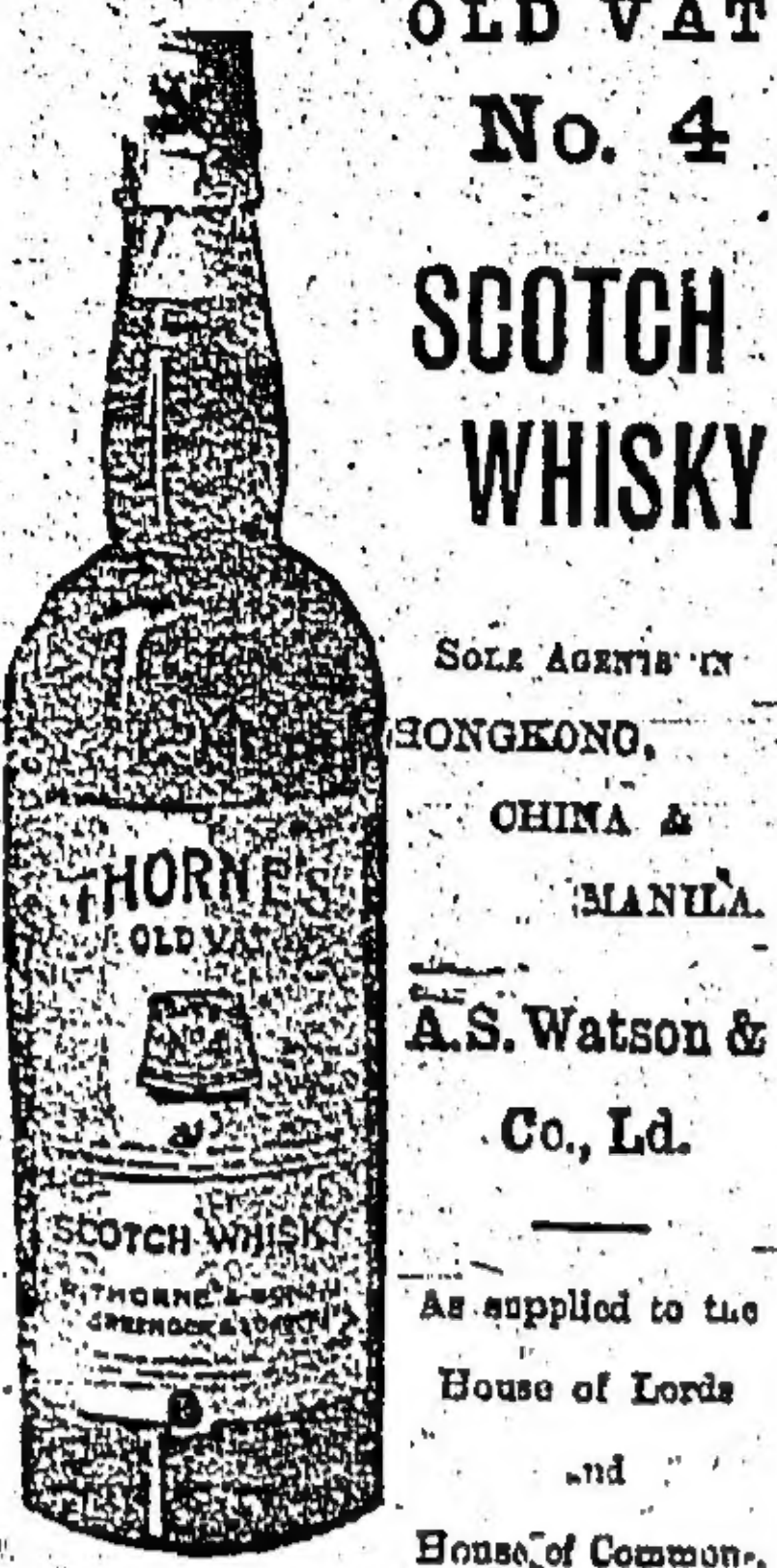
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SHAMEN NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
BRITISH BACHELORS' BALL.
CANTON, January 4.
On the last day of the old year, as is usual at Canton, the British Bachelors were "At Home" to their friends at the Club Theatre. Dancing was indulged in until the wee wee hours with unflagging energy. The invitations stated that Fancy Dress was optional; but many and varied fancy costumes were in evidence. For originality the Diver's dress was worn by one of the male guests was distinctly good. The parody of a Highland costume would certainly have been awarded a prize. Prizes had been given. The usual Pirates, Cow Boys, Sailors, pseudo Gallants, &c., were in evidence. Needless to say the ladies all looked charming, but especial mention must be made of the ladies who came respectively as a "Spanish Lady" and a Western "Cow Girl." The Hall was most artistically decorated and one distinctive feature was the electric sign, Vale 1910. On the stroke of midnight all the assembled company joined hands and sang "Auld lang syne," and at the birth of the new year the electric sign flashed out "Ave 1911."

INTERPORT HOCKEY.

On Monday, the 2nd inst., the U.S.R.C. played the Shamene Club at Hockey. The game was of a very even description. Guy for the visitors scored the first goal. Pratt for the home team equalized by scoring a fine goal. After a very good tussle in front of goal Guy again scored for the U.S.R.C. Just before half time Baker scored for Shamene, the score at half time being two all. During the second half the game was of a very spirited description. For the visitors England scored two splendid goals and Guy also scored one more. By a brilliant and individual effort Pratt scored, for Shamene. Hodges also notched another goal for the home team. The final result was:—U.S.R.C. 5 goals, Shamene 4 goals. The teams were constituted as under:—
U.S.R.C.—Goal, Skrinshire; backs, Cecory, Bond; half backs, Thompson, (Capt.), Roquette, Lemmer; forwards, Hoff, Guy, Eng, and Jarvis, Powell.
SHAMENE'S TEAM.—Goal, Lindell; backs, Wallis, MacElderry; half backs, Drummond, Saunders, Eagar; forwards, Cross, Pratt, Hoyle, Akker, Thorne, (Capt.). Before, E. E. Garrard.

NAVAL NEWS.

H.M.S. Cleo, Moorhen and Sandpiper left the harbour to-day, the Cleo for Hongkong and Shanghai, and the Moorhen and Sandpiper for West River duty. The German gunboat Tingtau has left for the Delta. The French gunboat Argus is in harbour.
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(1)—That Article No. 79 of the Articles of Association of the Company, which now reads—

"The Directors shall have power from time to time and at any time to appoint any other persons to be Directors, but so that the total number of Directors shall not at any time exceed seven and so that no appointment under this clause shall have effect unless two-thirds at least of the Directors concur therein"

be amended by eliminating the word "seven" in the third line of such Article and by substituting the word "five" therefor, and also by eliminating the words "two-thirds at least" in the fourth line of such Article and by substituting the words "a majority" therefor.

(2)—That Article No. 72 of the Articles of Association of the Company, which now reads—

"The Directors other than the General Managers shall be paid out of the funds of the Company by way of remuneration for their services a commission of Five per cent. of the net profits of the Company for each year provided that such profit amounts to Seven per cent. of the capital of the Company and such remuneration shall be divided among them in such proportions and manner as the Directors may determine and in default equally"

be amended by eliminating therefrom the words "provided that such profits amount to Seven per cent. of the capital of the Company" in the third and fourth lines thereof and by substituting in lieu thereof the words—

"The remuneration of the General Managers shall be \$3,000 per annum to cover office rent and salaries of Secretaries and clerks and a commission of 5 per cent. of the net profits of the Company for each year that such profit amounts to 7 per cent. of the capital of the Company"

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(3)—That Article No. 82 of the Articles of Association of the Company, which now reads—

"Notice of the Declaration of any dividends whether interim or otherwise shall be given to the Members of the Company by advertisement in a newspaper hereinafter provided and no dividend shall be paid unless and until the Company has received notice in writing from the Members of the Company that they are entitled to receive the same"

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(4)—That Article No. 105 of the Articles of Association of the Company, which now reads—

"Should the above Resolutions be passed by the required majority they will be deemed to be confirmed as 'Special Resolutions' and a second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened."

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their Radical representatives? The only answer is, No mandate at all, unless; it is to support whatever scheme is brought forward by the Government.

THE GENERAL ELECTION—AND AFTER.

From the course of the polling, it is probable that when the new parliament assembles the old situation will be reproduced, and one cannot help speculating how will events develop if Mr. Asquith feels justified in carrying on the Government?

Naturally enough, the Liberal newspapers have not yet committed themselves to any forecast; but the Scottish Unionist press have been indulging in prophecies as to the coming position. "It may be presumed," they say, "that Mr. Asquith will make it a condition of his continuance in office that His Majesty shall exercise his prerogative to create a certain number of Peers to secure the passage of the Parliament Bill."

But, "nobody believes that it will be necessary to bring the prerogative into actual operation. If matters reach that advanced stage, the Lords would certainly allow the Parliament Bill to become law."

Looking into the future, the Glasgow Herald puts it this way—"There can be no question that public opinion is turning against the Government. In another twelve months or two years the tide should be flowing strongly. By that time the Home Rule Bill is likely to be far advanced. Then also we should hear a great deal about the consciences of those Liberal leaders who have cherished Reform ideas—that is, Reform of the House of Lords,—but who have allowed the still small voice to be silenced by the hustling managers of tactics. The ground would thus be prepared for a Unionist victory. And it may be permissible to cast the mind still further ahead, and give expression to the belief that their use of a victory would take the form of a settlement of the difficulty somewhat upon the lines which are now recommended by the Opposition."

THE CAMPAIGN.
(Potted Reports.)
Shall we, whose fathers bled and died, Betray the land they—(No!)"
Shall we still fling our markets wide, Ourselves—(Disturbances)—tariff tied,
(A Voice)—"Three cheers for Joe!"

Oh woman, in your might arise, No more, as once you did, Submit to man-made laws and lies, But get the vote—(Applause and cries of "Flee!" and "Mind the kid!")

The Peers—(Loud laughter)—yield at last, The landlords shrink in fear, See, comrades, at the trumpet's blast, Of honest labour, cowed, afraid—
(A Voice)—"We've had no beer!"

'Tis dismantled now we stand, Home Rule is ours—(Hurroo!)"
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Our cause is freedom—(Chorus)—no more Shall foppish tyrants flout, The rights of man—(Voice from the door)—
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"T. L." in "Glasgow Herald."

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A foreign company, called the Skye Marble Company, has during the past year been engaged upon the construction of a light railway and factories near Broadford in Skye, and these are now completed.

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Trigg	35	140	140	100	25
Higgs	101	101	101	100	25
Woolton	70	100	100	100	25

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A PLEASING FUNCTION.

It is well known that old age is greatly honoured in China. There is sometimes the suspicion expressed that, in the West, age is not respected as it once was. Whilst, however, there may be in these countries, there can be little doubt that in China, still, age is revered, and that right willingly. Yesterday's native papers tell of a very pleasing function that was arranged at Fatsan. It appears that there is a fund connected with the Fui Tong whose purpose is to show respect to age as such. On the twenty-fourth of the last month, the people of Fatsan arranged a feast at which there were more than a thousand guests, and every one of them was over seventy years of age. None were invited whose age had not yet reached that classical figure. On this occasion no distinction was shown to any grade of society, though, as far as we understand the report, only men were invited. The oldest of the invited guests was ninety-seven years of age, and his name was Chu. He was placed in the seat of honour. The Fatsan Fanfu, or local official, was present, and arranged the plan of the feast. Whilst old Mr Chu was at the head of the table, the others took their seats according to seniority, reminding readers of the classic instance, recorded in the Chung Yung, where there was a great feast and as the ages could not always apparently be known, the seats of priority were given according to the white hairs of the hair of the guests, as this was decided to be the means by which approximately their ages could be known. Another privilege of the guests was that they took away with them the plates and dishes which served them at this great meal, and the writer says that these will be treasured as heirlooms by the families of those who were fortunate enough to get them. Unhappily, these old gentlemen could not come to the feast without quarrelling. According to the report, two of their number almost came to blows as to seniority, and were only parted after some effort. It is somewhat amusing to think of these ancient quarrelling about such a small point of etiquette, and yet, all who understand the Chinese character, know that they are a very great source upon these small matters. It is characteristic that such a function should thus be marred.

PHEASANTS OF CHINA.

An expedition for the gathering of data for a Monograph of Pheasants of the world has been undertaken by the New York Zoological Society. This expedition is in charge of Mr C. William Beebe, C.M.Z.S., who is Curator of Ornithology of the Society, and who arrived in Hongkong this morning by the English mail. Mr and Mrs Beebe are spending two years in Asia and the East Indies, photographing and studying the pheasants and their surroundings. Every species of pheasant known will be painted by the best English and American artists and no pains or expense will be spared to make the monograph as complete as possible. Colonel Anthony R. Kussor, of the Board of Managers of the Zoological Society, is financing this scientific work, the total cost of which will be about \$120,000. Ceylon, the Himalayas, India, Burma, the Malay States, Borneo, Java and the other East Indies have already been covered successfully, and it is now intended to continue the work with the pheasants of China. It is of course impossible for a visiting scientist to obtain, in a few months, all the data required. If any of the readers of this paper know of interesting facts (such as the courtship, food, enemies, voice, nesting and other habits) in the life history of any of the pheasants, Mr Beebe would be most grateful for these details. Even the mention of localities in which the birds are found would be valuable. Full credit will be given for such information and parts of the Monograph will be sent to anyone contributing such data. Any reasonable price will be paid for skins of adults and young pheasants and their eggs, or if these are loaned they will be returned safely. The British Museum and all the museums in the East are aiding this research. If desired, a list of definite, printed questions will be sent to anyone who is interested in such scientific work. All letters should be addressed to: C. William Beebe, care of American Consul-General, Shanghai.

Mr Asquith has been presented with the freedom of Edinburgh. There was a vast audience in the Synod Hall and Lord Rosebery was amongst others on the platform. Mr Asquith urged the cities to grapple with social questions. Boy-scouting on the tails of cards reading: "travelling party" were he said the most fertile source of unemployment.

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Atlas	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	Master W. West	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. B. G. Washington	West River
Britannia	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. E. H. Donovan	Shanghai
Cadmus	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. H. L. P. Heard	Shanghai
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Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	390	6	5700	Lieut.-Comdr. G. B. Hartford	Hongkong
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Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Com. Monroe	Hongkong
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Kimela	river gunboat	616	4	1200	Lt.-Comdr. T. J. S. Lyne	Yangtze
Morlin	sloop	1040	—	—	Comdr. F. C. Learmonth	Sandakan
* Minotaur	cruiser, 1st class	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. Cayley	Singapore
Mosmouth	cruiser, 1st class	9800	—	—	Capt. L. E. Power	Hongkong
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. P. Leith	West River
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. C. H. Woodward	Yangtze
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	330	6	6300	Comdr. E. Stenison	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. P. Walsh	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. E. J. J. Southby	West River
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. J. M. Barker	Yangtze
Taki	torpedo boat destroyer	330	6	6500	Gunner James Barlow	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	6	—	Commodore C. J. Byres	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. R. J. Buchanan	Yangtze
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. M. B. Hamilton	Hongkong
Virgo	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	—	Hongkong
Waterwitch	surveying ship	620	—	450	Lt.-Comdr. Hancock	Singapore
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	Lieut.-Com. Fremantle	Hongkong
Widgeon	river gunboat	185	2	800	Lieut.-Com. M. H. Wilding	Upper Yangtze
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. B. R. Brooks	Upper Yangtze
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COMING THE FINEST COMEDIAN

Mr DENNIS CARNEY

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, January 11:—
Annual Meeting and Dinner at Seamen's Institute.
9 p.m.—Grand Variety Entertainment at City Hall.

THURSDAY, January 12:—
11.30 a.m.—Bumphy's Estate Extraordinary Meeting.
9 p.m.—A Welsh Evening at Union Church Literary Club.

FRIDAY, January 13:—
3 p.m.—Auction of Booths and Malabars for next Race Meeting.
5.30 p.m.—Lecture by Col. W. G. A. Bedford, C.M.G., P.M.O., at Volunteer Headquarters.

SATURDAY, January 14:—
Hongkong Gun Club Annual Championship.
8 p.m.—President's dinner at Hongkong Reserves at Hongkong Hotel.
8.30 p.m.—Police Smoking Concert.

MONDAY, January 16:—
9 p.m.—Y.M.C.A. farewell social to Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G.

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THE UNITED STATES PENSION ROLL

Some truly amazing figures are contained in a report recently presented to Congress at Washington by Mr. DAVENPORT, the Commissioner of Pensions. They show up the octopus tendencies of the system in a light which must be very unpleasant for all patriotic Americans to contemplate. Just imagine what a howl would be raised in England could it be said about the Mutiny as Mr. DAVENPORT can say of the Civil War, "that forty-five years after Appomattox there are still 602,180 soldiers and sailors drawing pensions, in addition to 318,401 widows and dependents and 442 nurses, who together receive annually no less than \$158,332,391.82—a sum exceeded but three times in the pension history of the United States, and yet this is four millions less than the previous year's expenditure." Last year, we read, 3015 private pension bills passed Congress, entailing a drain upon the Treasury of \$894,425 and benefitting 6,063 persons, yet admittedly many of these claims were fraudulent. But it is to the interest of Congressmen to get such bills passed, for it enables them to win cheap credit in their respective districts and to demonstrate how keenly they watch over the interests of their constituents.

Commenting on some of the disclosures made in the report, the Nation of New York observes:—"It is not, however, merely the growing size of the pension which is ominous. The number of widows of soldiers of the civil war has increased by 2,045, despite the ravages of death among the 211,781 who drew pay last year for their husbands' services forty-five years ago. It will amaze most people to hear that there are already no less than 27,889 pensioners of our brief war with Spain and the Philippine insurrection. There were not 27,000 soldiers in the regular army early in 1900, and, if we remember correctly, Gen. SHAFER's force at Santiago was not above 18,000

men. Yet within twelve years of that brief struggle there are on the rolls 22,703 invalid soldiers, 1,183 widows, and 330 minor children, 3,072 mothers of soldiers and 512 fathers, 7 brothers and sisters, and 2 helpless children. In such measure is the Government paying for the fever camps and that one conflict which most civil war veterans would have regarded as but little more than a skirmish. Every war the country has been in is now represented on the pension roll, for there are still one daughter of the Revolution and 338 widows of the war of 1812 obtaining government aid; while 2,042 survivors and 6,359 widows are accredited to the war with Mexico, which ended sixty-two years ago. If the same longevity prevails as in the case of the last survivor of the second war with England, we shall be paying Mexican war veterans up to 1941 and Spanish war veterans up to 1991. Already the Spanish war veterans and dependents have received \$60,191,725.72, or within fourteen millions of the Mexican war pensions and sixteen millions of the total amount paid out for the war of 1812; and there were 47,295 claims for pensions pending in June, 1910, for service against Spain or the Philippines.

There can be no question of the demoralizing effect which such a system must have upon the nation at large, yet not even such a strong man as Col. ROOSEVELT has the courage "to clean the list." The Grand Army of the Republic seems to hold the whole of Congress in subjection to its decrees and there appears an imminent possibility before long that it will be able to force the Legislature to award a dollar a day pensions to all its members—who apply to be placed on the list. What that will cost the United States, if it comes into effect, we leave our readers to imagine. At present the average annual pension is \$171.90, against \$133.18 in 1908, so the jump to a dollar a day will be pretty considerable. The daughters of the horseleech do not seem to be in it alongside an American pension-hunter.

CHINESE TESTIMONIAL TO SIR HENRY MAY.

The Chinese community as well as the European are to present Sir Henry May with a testimonial on his departure from Hongkong. It is to take the form of a beautiful Chinese scroll, but as it will require sometime to execute owing to the delicate nature of the work and also the space of time which remains before Sir Henry May leaves the Colony being short, the scroll will not be presented to him personally but will be forwarded to him later. However a translated illuminated address will be presented to Sir Henry May, probably on the same occasion as the address from the European community is presented to him.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr Rockefeller has given another two million dollars to Chicago University, making seven millions in all.

The King has awarded the police medal to the policemen wounded at Bournemouth and to the widows of those who died of their injuries.

The King has approved of Queen Alexandra's birthday, December 1, being added to those anniversaries on which Royal salutes are fired. Ships are to be dressed with flags and Royal Salutes fired on the anniversary days.

Captain R. E. Boulton, adjutant of the 1st Battalion of the King's Own Light Infantry, recently arrived here from South Africa, will vacate the adjutancy of the corps next April on the termination of his three years in that appointment.

It is understood that Mr. J. C. Pater, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, who has been absent from the Colony during the last eighteen months opening agencies in the Malay States and elsewhere, will shortly return to Singapore to relieve the Hon. Mr. T. S. Baker, as manager there.

Mr. Bonar Law, speaking in North-West Manchester during the Election, suggested that Sir G. Kinnaird and Mr. Churchill should exchange candidatures, and offered, should he be beaten by Mr. Churchill, not to seek re-election for another constituency if Mr. Churchill would give a similar undertaking. We now know that Mr. Bonar Law was unsuccessful.

A FOLLOWER OF INFLUENZA. An attack of influenza is often followed by a persistent cough, which to many proves a great annoyance. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been extensively used and with great success for the relief and cure of the cough. Many cases have been cured after other well known remedies had failed. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

It is now said that Tolstoy's last words were, "So this is death, and it is nothing."

Vice-Admiral Sir Hedworth Lubbock was recently invited to stay at York Cottage with the King and Queen for a week.

Lady Lugard has issued invitations to an "At Home" at Government House on Friday, January 20th to say goodbye to Sir Henry and Lady May.

Miss Ruby Crystal, a bright and clever artist who was here sometime ago, makes her re-appearance in Hongkong at the Bijou Theatre to-morrow night. Miss Crystal will no doubt be welcomed by many old admirers and is sure to be as popular as ever. Six new pictures of special beauty and interest will be thrown on the screen.

Colonel C. V. Hume, M.V.O., D.S.O., R.A., who takes up the command of the South-Middle Divisional Artillery, has seen a deal of service on the Staff, including Military Attaché at Tokyo and Korea, and was for three years Governor (1896 to 1899) of the then Crown Prince of Siam. He has the Burmese, Boer, and Russo-Japanese campaigns to his credit, being attached to the Japanese forces in the latter.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Royal Arthur arrived at Plymouth before Christmas with the relieved crews from the China Station.

Mr. Chung sends us a capital photographic group of the Viceroy of Canton and party taken at Government House on the occasion of the recent official visit.

Messrs. Atake and Co. send us a pretty calendar issued by the Nippon Marine Transport and Fire Insurance Company Ltd., for which they are agents in Hongkong.

News has been received at Washington of the deaths of two of the world's foremost aviators, Moisant and Hoxsey. Mr. John B. Moisant fell while flying at New Orleans and Mr. Hoxsey was killed in a similar accident at Los Angeles on New Year's Day.

A court-martial sitting at Kiel has sentenced two engineer petty officers belonging to a torpedo-boat to seven years imprisonment for having twice brutally thrashed a stoker with a rope-and because he was unable to clean a glowing furnace. The stoker died as a result of the treatment he received.

Singapore, says the Straits Times, was singularly fortunate in the quality of its Christmas weather. On Sunday morning there was a distinct cold snap in the air which was a great improvement on the alternately damp or grilling conditions of more immediate past Christmas seasons. The experience was quite novel, but it brought with it a beautiful supply of colds, which were lavishly distributed amongst those who were not already in possession of this questionable seasonal blessing.

The provisional results of the German census show a remarkable increase in the population of the towns during the past five years. The population of Berlin, without the adjoining independent municipalities, numbers 2,180,000, compared with 2,040,148 in 1906. The population of Leipzig has increased by 40,000 to 565,743, that of Nuremberg by 38,113 to 332,539, that of Hanover by 27,418 to 299,763, that of Hamburg City by 133,000 to 236,000, and that of Frankfurt-on-Main by nearly 80,000 to 414,406.

At the Club House, Quarry Bay, last night, Mr. W. Drew Broadwood delivered a most interesting lecture to the members and their friends on "The Highlands and Islands of Scotland." There was a good-sized audience, including a fair sprinkling of ladies. Mr. T. Grimshaw presided, and the lantern was skillfully manipulated by Mr. A. Nicol. The beautiful views, many of them coloured, were greatly admired—and the lecture was listened to with deep interest. The Chairman, at the close, voiced the thanks of the audience to the lecturer, who was given a hearty round of applause. The Rev. C. H. Hickling intimated that Mr. Broadwood would at a later date supplement this lecture with another on the Lowlands of Scotland, and that this would be followed by a further illustrated discourse on "Tom O'Shanter."

A COMING VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

We would call our readers' attention to a somewhat novel entertainment which is to be given at the Theatre Royal on Wednesday next, the 11th instant. The entertainment, which is under distinguished patronage, is in aid of that thoroughly deserving institution the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home. The first part will consist of Chinese amateur theatricals by the members of the Long Amateur Dramatic Society of Hongkong, accompanied by a Chinese band of skilled performers. This should appeal to all who have never witnessed such a performance before, and should of itself be sufficient to draw a big house. In the second part there will be a fine naval display by seamen of H.M.S. Monmouth, who have volunteered their services for the occasion. Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co. are in charge of the booking arrangements.

FAREWELL PRESENTATION TO LADY MAY.

In view of Lady May's long residence in the Colony, and of the personal interest which she has always taken in all that relates to its welfare, it is proposed to present to her, prior to her departure on the 21st inst., some suitable token of the respect and esteem in which she is held by the whole community. The necessary consent of the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been obtained, and a Committee of ladies has been formed.

Contributions which, at Lady May's request, are limited to one dollar, should be sent in as soon as possible to Mr. P. S. Jameson, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, who have kindly consented to act as Honorary Treasurers. An alphabetical list of Contributors will accompany the gift.

BIG NEW YEAR PARCEL MAIL.

The Hongkong postal authorities have to-day been handling one of the biggest parcel mails which they have received for many years. The mail arrived yesterday by the S.S. Delta, and its abnormal size is accounted for by the fact that it comprised New Year gifts sent from the Homeland. Every available bit of space in the Post Office was called into use to accommodate the various boxes and packages, the officials being absolutely surrounded by all manner of parcels—big, medium and small. Altogether there were 1,930 parcels handled, made up as follows:— 981 to Hongkong via Gibraltar; 351 forward (outports) via Gibraltair; 280 to Hongkong via Suez; 78 forward via Marseilles; 51 to Hongkong via Brindisi; and 180 miscellaneous. The smart manner in which the mail was turned out was a tribute to the organisation of work in the Post Office.

A COMPLICATED CASE.

In the Court of Summary Jurisdiction this morning, before Mr. Justice Hazelard, Daywan Singh sued Lai Young and Ki Young for \$140.70 said to be due under promissory notes. Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. Gardiner said the case was adjourned last week for the purpose of serving the writ on the second defendant, but he had not been served. The case against the first defendant was adjourned sine die as there was a petition in bankruptcy against her.

His Lordship—What are you doing now? Mr. Gardiner—I cannot do anything until the second defendant is served. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Deputy Official Receiver, asked leave to appear as the first defendant, as he now represented her. At the same time he asked for a stay of execution against the second defendant in a previous case, as he was an important witness. The judgment was obtained more or less by misrepresentation last time.

His Lordship pointed out that the second defendant was absolutely protected in coming to or going from the Court. If he were arrested his Lordship should discharge him immediately.

Mr. Fletcher—I require him both as a witness for myself and to defend himself in this case. Proceeding, he said the case was a rather complicated one. Four actions had altogether been instituted by the plaintiff, who apparently intended instituting three more. Judgment had been given in two actions and two were now pending. He could show that these four actions should have been combined in one. Mr. Gardiner—Judgment has been obtained and my friend will have to apply for these to be set aside and for a rehearing. Mr. Fletcher—I intend doing that. The case was adjourned until Monday at 4 p.m.

PROSPEROUS SINGAPORE.

Messrs. Powell & Co., the well known auctioneers and property agents of Singapore in their annual report on the estate market for 1910 remark:—"In view of the additions and improvements above referred to, it may be assumed that Singapore is doing well. Business is said to be satisfactory in almost every direction; tin and rubber continue to occupy a prominent and remunerative position, and the steady development of the Malay Peninsula, Sumatra and Borneo should bring to Singapore much valuable trade. There is therefore good reason to believe that Singapore's prosperity will be well maintained notwithstanding the loss the Colony will sustain by the serious curtailment of its opium revenue. Part of this loss will be covered by an income tax to be introduced in 1912. Although the imposition of this tax will cause much dissatisfaction, it is obviously essential that a sufficient revenue has to be obtained one way or another; the efficiency and the advancement of the Colony must be preserved and strengthened, for there can be little doubt that Singapore, with its valuable geographical position and unrivalled shipping accommodation, is destined to become a great and attractive emporium and a highly important naval rendezvous."

DANGER FROM CROUP.

A few minutes' delay in treating some cases of croup, even the length of time it takes to go for a doctor, often proves dangerous. The safest way is to keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house, and at the first indication of croup give the child some. Present to take and always check. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

[Cormorant.] THE OPIUM QUESTION.

INDIAN GOVERNMENT'S DETERMINATION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, January 5. The Indian Government has issued at Calcutta a communiqué stating that India intends that there shall be rigorous adherence to the Agreement with China to reduce exports of opium by 5,000 chests a year.

The high prices ruling in China having attracted increased imports, the Government of India has decided to issue special certificates from January for all opium leaving India under declaration for China, namely, 36,000 chests.

The question of closing the Treaty ports to uncertified opium is suggested.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS IN EUROPE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, January 5. Earthquake shocks of long duration and great intensity have been felt generally throughout Europe, and especially in Italy and Spain.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN.

RESIGNATION ANNOUNCED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, January 5. It is announced at Berlin that Baron Dr. Mumm von Schwarzenstein, the German Ambassador to Tokyo, has resigned, owing to eye trouble. His Excellency returns to Japan temporarily, for the visit of the Crown Prince.

MANCHURIAN LOAN OVERSUBSCRIBED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, January 6. The South Manchurian loan has been closed, having been over-subscribed.

SWATOW NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Swatow has had her share of the festivities popular to this season of the Year. There have been several changes in the community during the past year, notably the British Consul, American Consul and second Commissioner of Customs. Thus at the various social functions which have been held, new faces and new talents have been evident.

During Xmas week, a Xmas tree for the children was given by Mr. and Mrs. Giehrst in their house at Kok-chek. About 40 children were present, besides many parents and friends. On New Year's Eve Mr. Richardson of Restalrig, had his annual gathering. A launch was provided for friends crossing the harbour, and though the night was somewhat disagreeable, a good many took advantage of it. The guests were first entertained with a musical gathering which was very pleasing, while the dancing which followed was heartily enjoyed. After the New Year had arrived, hearty handshakes and good wishes, friends adjourned for supper. Afterwards, dancing was resumed, and the evening closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

BEGIN TREATMENT AT ONCE.

HAVE you a weak throat? If so, you cannot be too careful. You cannot begin treatment too early. Each cold makes you more liable to another and the last is always the hardest to cure. If you will take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at the outset you will be saved much trouble. For sales by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

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SEQUEL TO A SHOOTING EXPEDITION.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate's Court this morning, J. W. Kow was summoned by Choy Yee and Choy Woo Sui, for having in a riotous and noisy manner on December 18 at Castle Peak Bay and with allowing his dogs to chase their goats.

Mr. Reader Harris appeared for complainants and Mr. W. G. Jackson defended.

His Worship—Have you come to a settlement?

Mr. Jackson—Not unless my friend is prepared to withdraw the charge.

His Worship—It will probably result in the defendant being bound over.

Mr. Harris—I want defendant bound over.

Mr. Harris said that his client was the owner of a fairly large estate at Castle Peak where on frequent occasions people sometimes went to shoot. On Saturday the 17th ult., defendant went there and landed, whether with others or not did not matter and his dog chased complainants' goats. The woman then sent down a watchman who remonstrated in English with defendant. The watchman apparently irritated defendant, who wanted to fight the male complainant. The next day about the same time defendant landed with two or three other people. They came in a motor boat and proceeded to address words to Mr. Choy through a megaphone in Chinese. Mrs. Choy saw defendant urging on his dog to chase the goats, the consequence being that the dogs did chase the goats a long distance. Five were lost and three returned. Complainants desired defendant to apologise but he did not do so.

Mr. Jackson gave evidence in support of his solicitor's statement.

Mr. Jackson—You did not know defendant before this night?—No.

He was three quarters of a mile away when you looked at him through the glasses?—He was very far away.

Could you recognize him well enough to recognize him in court to-day?—Yes.

Can you tell me how defendant was dressed?—A dark coat and brown trousers. His Worship—Knickerbockers or trousers?—I could not see.

Mr. Jackson—Did he carry a gun?—The gun was on the ground placed upwards.

He was walking?—He was standing.

Did you see other people there on that occasion?—I saw other people there, some distance away.

About 100 yards away?—About 400 yards.

You did not see three men about three quarters away?—I saw them with my telescope. I only looked at defendant.

Can you recognize the men if I produce them?—I can only recognize one.

How did you know defendant was there?—His name was given to me by Mr. Otto Kong Sing.

Where was your husband then?—When I was looking through the telescope?—I don't know whether he was on the verandah or outside.

You were not frightened of the defendant doing any injury?—He told me an Indian watchman that he would kill me. He said his (the watchman's) employer but I don't know which employer he meant. Do you seriously say that you took in all this wealth of detail, his moustache, his face, etc., but not his trousers, with one eye?—Yes, I saw it all.

Do you produce the telescope?—No. It would take two men to carry it.

It was dark?—Yes.

You did not intend to prosecute defendant then?—No.

What caused you to change your mind, Mr. Harris?—No.

Mr. Harris—How long is this telescope?—Over two feet.

On a stand?—Yes.

Mr. Harris—You gave evidence to the effect that he was present at Castle Peak on the day in question with a party. He arrived in a motor boat. There was a megaphone on board and possibly somebody did shout through it. He could not see whether it was defendant or his brother who shouted. Witness also shouted through it for a sampan. He did not hear any one shout to Mr. Choy. He had never told any one in Hongkong that defendant had shouted to Mr. Choy. He did not hear any had language shouted and they all went ashore together. It was possible that some words might have been shouted from the launch if he had paid particular attention to them. So far as he knew there had been a quarrel between the two parties. There was no trouble on the Sunday so far as he knew. Later witness said he did not remember whether he called for a sampan through a megaphone. The dogs did not chase the goats while he was with defendant and he did not see any goats.

By Mr. Jackson witness said the watchman had ordered defendant away on the 17th. It was his wish that they should land at Castle Peak as he had said there were some woodcock there and they were on a shooting expedition. Dr. F. Kew was with him and they were never separated very far and he never saw defendant urging on dogs to chase the goats as he never saw the goats.

Mr. Choy, a quiescent Chinaman dressed in European fashion, also gave evidence and said that a man was shouting and naming through a megaphone to him.

Questioned by Mr. Jackson witness said he was on the verandah when he saw the motor boat. He looked through the wonderful telescope but could not recognize who they were.

Do you know why you instituted these proceedings?—I don't like their coming over my ground.

You are not scared of them, not frightened?—I would do you an injury? You carry a gun?—No answer was returned.

The Watchman stated that he knew defendant who used abusive language to the master of witness. Witness could not see defendant but he heard the voice.

A Chinese temple keeper stated he heard language but did not hear who said it. Defendant stated that he did not use any abusive language from his motor boat at Castle Peak Bay. He landed with his brother's dogs and he did not see them to chase goats as he never saw a goat.

Cross-examined defendant stated that he knew no particular reason why he was told to go away on that particular occasion. They had got a megaphone on board and he was the only one who used it. They met Mr. Choy and checked him for carrying his rifle in a dangerous manner. All the story about the dogs chasing was untrue.

The summons was dismissed and his Worship said defendant did quite right in not apologizing.

A PUBLICAN SUED.

In the Court of Summary Jurisdiction this morning, before Mr. Justice Hazeland, the case was called in which Messrs H. Price and Co. sued R. H. Whitaker, of the Pyna East Hotel, for \$443.15, Mr. Jackson was for plaintiffs and Mr. R. C. Barlow for the defence.

Mr. Barlow suggested that the case stand over for a week.

Mr. Jackson—I object to it standing over. There is no defence to it. The defendant himself has offered to pay \$150 and has asked for time in which to pay the balance. The claim is quite admitted.

Mr. Barlow—I want the usual week. This is the first hearing.

His Lordship—I think he is entitled to a week. What is the defence?

Mr. Jackson—There is no defence. The case was adjourned for one week.

A QUESTION OF DEFENCE.

In the Court of Summary Jurisdiction this morning before Mr. Justice Hazeland the case in which Tai Yin Lau sued Cheung Sia Ha for \$422.20 was again mentioned. Mr. E. Davidson appeared for plaintiff and Mr. C. Smith for defendant.

Mr. Davidson suggested that perhaps his friend could tell them what his defence was.

His Lordship—What is your defence?

Mr. Smith—I am not in a position to tell your Lordship that.

His Lordship—I must ask you to tell me, else I will take it this morning.

Mr. Smith—I am not in a position to tell your Lordship my defence at the present time.

His Lordship—Why?

Mr. Smith—I am instructed that there is a defence.

His Lordship—If this case were in original jurisdiction you would not get leave to defend unless you disclosed your defence. You mean you do not know whether there is a defence?

Mr. Smith—My instructions are that there is a defence but I do not know exactly what the defence is. I have not taken my client's evidence yet.

His Lordship—It had better be adjourned a week.

Mr. Davidson—It was adjourned last week for that purpose.

His Lordship—Yes. I think I will take it this morning.

Mr. Smith—It is impossible for me to go on.

Mr. Davidson—Then I will consent to a week's adjournment, your Lordship.

The question of defence cropped up in another case, in which J. C. Moosa sued Miss Charn Blanche for \$50.30. Mr. J. H. Gardner was for the plaintiff and Mr. F. S. Dixon for the defendant.

His Lordship—Is there a defence?

Mr. Dixon—Yes, a very good defence I think, my Lord. He added that he would like his friend to file particulars in Court.

Mr. Gardner—He has had particulars. Mr. Dixon—Yes, there have been two sets of particulars but I want to pin him down to the one he is relying on. If he does not file particulars in Court I must ask for pleadings.

Mr. Gardner—I will give particulars of the amounts.

Mr. Dixon—He had better file them in Court.

Mr. Gardner—That is not usual.

His Lordship—I don't quite understand. There is something very mysterious in this case.

Mr. Dixon—There have already been two lots of particulars supplied and these have been contradictory, so I want to pin my friend down to one.

His Lordship—He wants to pin you down. (Laughter).

Mr. Gardner—Does he?—(Laughter).

His Lordship—Ordered particulars to be supplied.

In another case, which was adjourned for a week, his Lordship intimated to Mr. Davidson, who appeared for the defence, that he might indicate his defence next time.

His Lordship—Very well.

A REMEDY FOR GROUP THAT IS ABSOLUTELY SAFE.

GROUP is the most prevalent during the dry cold weather of the early winter months. Parents of young children should be prepared for it. All that is needed is a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Many mothers are never without it in their homes. It is not only a safe and harmless medicine but the best in use for cough, cold and croup. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MACAO GOVERNMENTSHIP.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—The Governmentship of the Macao has again changed hands. Now, according to last advice by the Mail, Captain Norton de Matos has been appointed to succeed Senhor E. Marques. Sub-Lieut. Machado only acted temporarily on the resignation of Dr. Vidal as Acting Governor.

The Macao Treasury will soon become insolvent if the proceeds of Officials to and fro continues much longer. The republican protégés are following one another like a flock of birds. Taking advantage of the "austere morality" of the new regime they bring out with them all the members of their families. Others who come out bring their whole domestic staff, such as cook, porter, gardener and so forth. Bravo!

Go ahead, progressive child-republic! We hope Capt. Norton de Matos will straighten up the many crooked things in Macao, and will do his utmost to quash the secret societies now well known to be most detrimental to the Colony. No money should be given to the marauders but strict and "immaculate justice" must be done.

Yours.

ZUMBA-QUE-TA-ZUMBA.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

LEAGUE FIXTURES FOR SATURDAY.

Hongkong "A" v. K.O.Y.L.L.—Hongkong Kowloon v. R. E. Military Police v. Civil Service. Police Craignover v. Remnants. Craignover TEAM.

HONGKONG "A"—Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Dr. G. E. Aubrey, A. A. Chaston, H. Hancock, R. Hancock, G. A. Hastings, P. Jacks, H. R. Mackin, Rev. S. W. Payne, T. E. Pearce, R. P. Thurnell. Commence at 1.45 p.m.

K.O.Y.L.L.—Capt. H. K. Hughes, Lt. M. F. Day, Lt. G. H. Starkey, Lt. C. R. Heygate, Lt. C. R. T. Thorp, Lt. G. C. E. Houghton, Lt. A. O. Collins Browne, Lieut. Cpl. Dempsey, Lieut. Cpl. Mansell, Pte. Palmer, Pte. Clegg.

Kowloon—A. R. F. Raven, J. P. Robinson, Lt. E. H. J. Haughton, F. Sutton, J. H. Mead, W. L. Weaver, F. J. de Rome, A. O. Brown, Lt. E. Brett, Lt. G. G. Richardson, W. Curwen. Reserve—W. T. Elson.

R. E. AND DEPARTMENTALS—Colonel Stepiels, Lt. Col. Sir J. Fayer, Major Taylor, Capt. Addison, Capt. Bell, Lt. Williams, Rev. Foster Pegg, and Corporal Tarnem, M. Gregor, Captain and Osman.

CIVIL SERVICE—H. T. Jackson, Captain, R. E. O. Bird, H. R. Phillips, A. E. Dixon, G. Bullock, J. McEwen, F. J. Long, A. G. Pile, F. Dallas, H. Ellis, F. Bacon. Reserves—A. H. Cox, A. W. Dawson and A. M. Thornhill. Commence at 2 p.m.

CRAIGNOVER—L. E. Lambert, H. H. Taylor, J. S. Noris, Lt. A. Ross, R. A. Carvello, J. V. Bragg, E. L. Bragg, P. Currie, C. J. Higginbotham, W. H. Virens, R. East.

REMAINDERS—G. A. Cooke, R. N. A. H. Young, C. F. Shackleton, D. R. Donnelly, C. E. Shields, W. Waterhouse, M. A. Mas, W. E. Warburton, R. G. Saunders, C. T. Hesse, F. Matson. Commence at 2 p.m.

FOOTBALL.

LEAGUE FIXTURES FOR SATURDAY.

First Division.

Kowloon 2nd Div. R.G.A. v. Kowloon Naval Yard v. Civil Service "A" Civil Service v. 87th Co. R.G.A.

Second Division.

Kowloon 2nd Div. D. J. Mackenzie, T. Chee, H. E. Goldsmith, S. Moore, E. B. Ansell, H. S. Spurge, L. J. Blackburn, Major Kirke, Dr. Forsyth, W. T. Elson, S. Green.

Third Division.

Naval Yard v. Hongkong. Naval Yard v. 87th Co. R.G.A.

Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.

The fifth Club races will be sailed to-morrow (Saturday). The handicap class starts at 2.30 p.m., the course being—North fairway buoy (star), Kowloon Rock (star), Channel Rocks (star). The probable starters will be—

Name. Owner. Marks to Date.

Dione. Sir Henry May. 22

Lis. Commodore Eyre R.N. 17

Erica. Mr. A. Denison. 21

Min. Messrs Irving and Lister. 6

Kathleen. Officers R.E. 20

Ayres. Hon. Mr. H. E. Follock. 9

Ayres. Capt. Leyland. 8

Ada. Colonel Chapman. 11

Albion. Mr. Chessman. 2

The One Design Class starts at 2.40 p.m., the course being—Channel Rocks (port), Canton Buoys (port), Kowloon Rock (star), Channel Rocks (star). The probable starters are—

Name. Owner. Marks to Date.

Malcolm. Mr. Rouse. 23

Boite. Mr. H. W. Bird. 114

Albion. Mr. Sutherland. 10

Alia. Mr. Jamieson. 95

Daphne. Officers B.E. 2

On Sunday the 8th Cruiser Races will be sailed, starting at 11 a.m. over the following course—Front pier on south side of Stonecutters Island, leaving Green Island on port hand onwards; Lamma Island (star), Cowichew Island (star). The following boats will probably compete—

Name. Owner. Marks to Date.

Dulven. Hon. Mr. Kendrick. 5

Miranda. Hon. Mr. Brutton. 7

Snipe. Hon. Mr. H. E. Follock. 19

Thry. Officers H. M. S. Tamm. 8

Dorothy. Capt. Leyland. 8

Elaine. Eng. Comdr. Highton. 8

La Capote. Mr. Bute. 0

Albion. Mr. Jamieson. 0

Brynildre. Mr. Van Andel. 0

THE CONSPIRACY CASE.

Before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, at the Magistrate's Court this afternoon, the case was continued in which a well-to-do Chinaman and two coolies are charged with conspiring to murder the two younger brothers of the Chinaman and with soliciting Mak Kum to do the deed. The accused's names are Wong Ya Kin, Mak U. Chin and Chan.

Mr. F. B. I. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted and Mr. J. H. Gardiner defended.

The Chief Chinese Detective gave evidence that he first saw a letter connected with the case in the office of Chief Detective Inspector Hanson which was given to him by Mak Kum. Other documents were handed to him by Mak Kum which he gave to Mr. Hanson. On December 13 he went with Inspector Hanson and three other detectives to No. 42 Elgin Street and he found the chop produced in a table drawer in the sitting room on the second floor.

Replying to Mr. Gardiner witness said he did not find a larger chop with the same characters thereon.

This closed the case for the prosecution. Mr. Gardiner said he did not propose to call any evidence at that Court and he doubted very much if his Worship was satisfied with the evidence produced.

His Worship said he would caution defendants and reserve his decision until Monday afternoon.

Chin Chun and Chiu Kai were charged with intimidating the informer by endeavouring to get him out of the Colony and the case was adjourned.

VOLUNTEER NOTES.

FIELD DAY.

All Units and Volunteer Reserves. Parade at Headquarters on Sunday, 15th January, at 8.30 a.m.

SHOOTING.

The 2nd monthly shoot of No. 4 Company H.E.V.A. takes place at King's Park Range on Sunday next, January 8th, at 2.15 p.m. Ammunition is not procurable on the range.

REMNATIONS.

Gunner H. Wilkinson of No. 3 Company, having left the Colony, is permitted to resign with effect from the 10th December, 1910.

Gunner H. Duncanson of No. 1 Company is permitted to resign with effect from the 19th December, 1910.

Private F. G. Carroll of the Infantry Company, having left the Colony, is permitted to resign with effect from the 29th December.

Private C. F. Bird of the Scouts Company is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony with effect from the 3rd January, 1911.

Sapper B. Munkett of the Engineer Company is permitted to resign on Medical certificate with effect from the 4th January, 1911.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

The near approach of further holidays was brought to mind in the Summary Court this morning, when Chinese New Year and the Races were referred to as likely to clash with cases fixed for dates ahead.

In the Court of Summary Jurisdiction this morning Messrs Wm. Powell sued Mr. P. W. Goldring for \$240.70, and E. J. Gedge brought a claim against the same defendant for \$211.47. Mr. Barlow, who appeared to defend, said Mr. Goldring was absent, and in his absence he had accepted services. No steps should be taken during his absence, and the cases should therefore stand over for a week. This course was agreed to.

Two men were sentenced to six months' imprisonment and four hours' strokes each, at the Magistrate's Court this morning, for stealing some clothing and jewellery value \$10; at Aberdeen. A sentence of three weeks' imprisonment and four hours' strokes was meted out to a native for stealing a jacket and watch from a house in Nullah Lane. Six coolies were fined \$1 each for obstructing the Hongkong Hotel.

HAINAN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

A little flurry of excitement disurbed the wonted calm of Kiangchow City a few days ago. Reports of the origin of the trouble are a little mixed, but one story is that a certain secretary in yamen employ was robbed of some silver and gold ware. A certain man, suspected of having the stolen goods in his possession was arrested and thrown into prison; he then accused an opium shop keeper of being guilty, and the opium shop was raided at night, by the magistracy's authority, says one report.

The next day all the shops in Kiangchow closed their doors in protest. It being the 15th of the moon, the Tao-ai and the magistracy went outside the town to worship, and the populace attacked the magistracy's person; he is said to have taken refuge between two poles of the Tao-ai's chair. A meeting of the Self Governing Society was held and a telegram forwarded to the Viceroy petitioning for the removal of the magistracy.

Phyng on the western side of the Island continues to reap its harvest of victims. The A.P.M. Schools at Nohm have been obliged to close, owing to the finding of dead rats in the school granary.

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THE ILL-FATED WARATAH.

Remarkable Disclosures at the Board of Trade Enquiry.

A London telegram, dated December 16, says:—

At to-day's proceedings in the Board of Trade enquiry into the loss of the steamer Waratah, a director of the firm which built her deposed that after the Waratah's first voyage the firm received from the owners a letter, saying that her Captain believed that the Waratah was not of the same stability as the Geelong, whereas, according to the contract, she was to have greater stability. The owners added: We must hold you responsible for everything that happens. Witness said he was able to convince the owners that the Waratah was as stable as the Geelong despite the Captain's opinion. No question had ever been raised regarding the Waratah's stability at sea, only her stability when empty in dock.

The chief surveyor of Lloyd's deposed that the Waratah was a thoroughly well-constructed, strong ship. Mr. Bennett, who was second mate of the Waratah, said he never noticed any list or unusual rolling. He left the vessel because he had been promoted. Thereupon three witnesses rose up in Court and declared that he left because something was going to be done to the ship. Witness positively denied this.

Professor Dragg, of Leeds, also deposed that he had never travelled in a vessel with such a list. He had asked the Captain for the plans of her stability curves. The Waratah was a remarkably steady and comfortable boat, but the list was the continual topic of conversation. Captain Bince, of the steamer Harlow, who spoke about the big fashia, admitted that, as the Clan Macintyre signalled the Waratah in Barrow River, the Waratah must have been returning to Durban to be in such a position. The chief engineer deposed that he had no fault to find with the boat. She neither rolled nor pitched, anything out of the ordinary.

Mr. Frederick Lund, a partner in the firm owning the ship, put in as evidence a letter to the builders that the Waratah was not to be stable as the Geelong. The letter was written when the relation between the owners and the builders was somewhat strained, because the builders were months behind with delivery. Witness endeavoured to make the most of the captain's statement, but the builders resented him on the subject. Cross-examined, he denied that the captain had threatened to leave unless the front-deck was removed. The engineer deposed that he had no fault to find with the boat which neither rolled nor pitched anything out of the ordinary.

Subsequently Mr. F. Lund was again examined and declared that he had no idea of what had been the Waratah's fate. He thought that if she had foundered in a storm there must have been a lot of wreckage. Three passengers testified to their alarm at the top heaviness of the vessel, while a fourth said that he had never sailed in a safer one.

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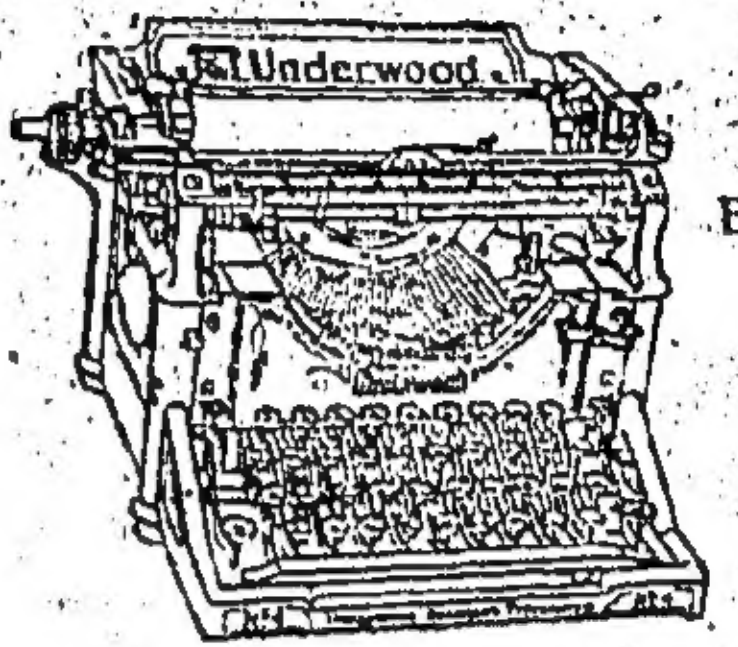
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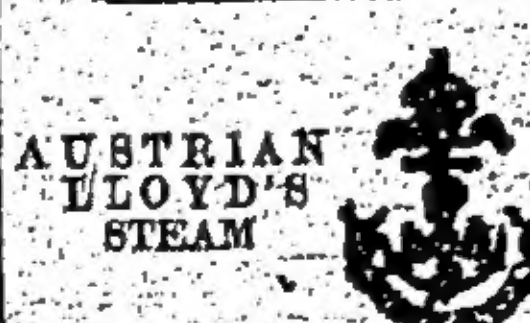
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remaining undelivered after the 6th of

January will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on FRIDAY, 6th January,

at 8 P.M.

All claims must be presented within fifteen

days of the steamer's arrival here after

which date they cannot be recognized.

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January will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us

in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, January 4, 1911.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co's Steamship 'Fookang' having

arrived from the above Ports, Con-

signees of cargo by her are hereby in-

formed that their Goods are being landed

at their risk in the Godowns of the

Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.,

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THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points in the United States of America and Canada, and also for the principal ports in Mexico, and Central and South America.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

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Steamer	Tons	Captain	On or about
SUVERIC	6232	F. S. Cowley	12th January, 1911
KUMERIC	6233	G. B. McGill	9th February

These steamers are specially fitted for the carriage of Asiatic Steamer Passengers. PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA. Calling at Amoy and Keelung if sufficient inducement offers.

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On and after 7th January the Office of the Bank Line, Limited will be situated in KING'S BUILDING where all enquiries and communications should be addressed.

Hongkong, January 3, 1911.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

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STEAMER CALEDONIAN.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO from London

ex S.S. 'Madox' from HAVRE

ex S.S. 'Medoc' from BORDEAUX

a.s. 'Verbeek' in connection with

above Steamer are hereby informed

that their Goods will, with exception

of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are

being landed and stored at their risk

